

shall be responsible for assisting in reducing delays, increasing transparency and understanding of the status of requests, and assisting in the resolution of disputes.”

“(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.”.

(i) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION.—Strike section 12 of the bill.

## NOTICE OF HEARING

### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests.

The hearing will be held on September 20, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on several bills, including: S. 1377, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the City of Henderson, Nevada, certain Federal land located in the City, and for other purposes; S. 1433, to amend the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to provide competitive status to certain Federal employees in the State of Alaska; S. 1608 and H.R. 815, to provide for the conveyance of certain land in Clark County, Nevada, for use by the Nevada National Guard; S. 1740, to amend the Act of February 22, 1889, and the Act of July 2, 1862, to provide for the management of public land trust funds in the State of North Dakota; S. 1802, to adjust the boundaries of the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness in the State of Idaho; S. 1803, to authorize the exchange of certain land located in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes; S. 1939, to provide for the conveyance of certain land in the Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico; and S. 1940, to reauthorize the Rio Puerco Watershed Management Program, and for other purposes.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150, or by email to [rachel\\_pasternack@energy.senate.gov](mailto:rachel_pasternack@energy.senate.gov).

For further information, please contact David Brooks or Rachel Pasternack.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Friday, August 3, 2007, at 8 a.m. in executive session to receive informa-

tion relating to the treatment of detainees.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SMALL BUSINESS TAX RELIEF ACT OF 2007

On Thursday, August 2, 2007, the Senate passed H.R. 976, as amended, as follows:

H.R. 976

*Resolved*, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 976) entitled “An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for small businesses, and for other purposes.”, do pass with the following amendments:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; AMENDMENTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY ACT; REFERENCES; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Children’s Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2007”.

(b) AMENDMENTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.—Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in this Act an amendment is expressed in terms of an amendment to or repeal of a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to that section or other provision of the Social Security Act.

(c) REFERENCES TO MEDICAID; CHIP; SECRETARY.—In this Act:

(1) CHIP.—The term “CHIP” means the State Children’s Health Insurance Program established under title XXI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397aa et seq.).

(2) MEDICAID.—The term “Medicaid” means the program for medical assistance established under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.).

(3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(d) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; amendments to Social Security Act; references; table of contents.

### TITLE I—FINANCING OF CHIP

Sec. 101. Extension of CHIP.

Sec. 102. Allotments for the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

Sec. 103. One-time appropriation.

Sec. 104. Improving funding for the territories under CHIP and Medicaid.

Sec. 105. Incentive bonuses for States.

Sec. 106. Phase-out of coverage for nonpregnant childless adults under CHIP; conditions for coverage of parents.

Sec. 107. State option to cover low-income pregnant women under CHIP through a State plan amendment.

Sec. 108. CHIP Contingency fund.

Sec. 109. Two-year availability of allotments; expenditures counted against oldest allotments.

Sec. 110. Limitation on matching rate for States that propose to cover children with effective family income that exceeds 300 percent of the poverty line.

Sec. 111. Option for qualifying States to receive the enhanced portion of the CHIP matching rate for Medicaid coverage of certain children.

### TITLE II—OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENT

Sec. 201. Grants for outreach and enrollment.

Sec. 202. Increased outreach and enrollment of Indians.

Sec. 203. Demonstration program to permit States to rely on findings by an Express Lane agency to determine components of a child’s eligibility for Medicaid or CHIP.

Sec. 204. Authorization of certain information disclosures to simplify health coverage determinations.

### TITLE III—REDUCING BARRIERS TO ENROLLMENT

Sec. 301. Verification of declaration of citizenship or nationality for purposes of eligibility for Medicaid and CHIP.

Sec. 302. Reducing administrative barriers to enrollment.

### TITLE IV—REDUCING BARRIERS TO PROVIDING PREMIUM ASSISTANCE

#### Subtitle A—Additional State Option for Providing Premium Assistance

Sec. 401. Additional State option for providing premium assistance.

Sec. 402. Outreach, education, and enrollment assistance.

#### Subtitle B—Coordinating Premium Assistance With Private Coverage

Sec. 411. Special enrollment period under group health plans in case of termination of Medicaid or CHIP coverage or eligibility for assistance in purchase of employment-based coverage; coordination of coverage.

### TITLE V—STRENGTHENING QUALITY OF CARE AND HEALTH OUTCOMES OF CHILDREN

Sec. 501. Child health quality improvement activities for children enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP.

Sec. 502. Improved information regarding access to coverage under CHIP.

Sec. 503. Application of certain managed care quality safeguards to CHIP.

### TITLE VI—MISCELLANEOUS

Sec. 601. Technical correction regarding current State authority under Medicaid.

Sec. 602. Payment error rate measurement (“PERM”).

Sec. 603. Elimination of counting Medicaid child presumptive eligibility costs against title XXI allotment.

Sec. 604. Improving data collection.

Sec. 605. Deficit Reduction Act technical corrections.

Sec. 606. Elimination of confusing program references.

Sec. 607. Mental health parity in CHIP plans.

Sec. 608. Dental health grants.

Sec. 609. Application of prospective payment system for services provided by Federally-qualified health centers and rural health clinics.

Sec. 610. Support for injured servicemembers.

Sec. 611. Military family job protection.

Sec. 612. Sense of Senate regarding access to affordable and meaningful health insurance coverage.

Sec. 613. Demonstration projects relating to diabetes prevention.

Sec. 614. Outreach regarding health insurance options available to children.

### TITLE VII—REVENUE PROVISIONS

Sec. 701. Increase in excise tax rate on tobacco products.

Sec. 702. Administrative improvements.

Sec. 703. Time for payment of corporate estimated taxes.

### TITLE VIII—EFFECTIVE DATE

Sec. 801. Effective date.

### TITLE I—FINANCING OF CHIP

#### SEC. 101. EXTENSION OF CHIP.

Section 2104(a) (42 U.S.C. 1397dd(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (9), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (10), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs: